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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No: 14476.31.1

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND PETITION

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declare: that our citizenship, residence address, and post office address are as set forth above; that we verily believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter of the invention or discovery entitled CREATING AND VERIFYING ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS for which a patent is sought and which is described and claimed in the specification which was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as Serial No. 09/875,756 on June 6, 2001; that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to herein; and that we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Section 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

We declare further that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are

punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

We hereby appoint as our attorneys and/or patent agents all attorneys and/or patent agents listed under the following Customer Number, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:



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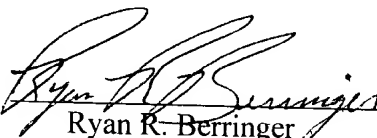
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Wherefore, we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

DATED this 21 day of September, 2001.

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DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
FOR A SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I, Todd R. Hougaard, hereby declare: that I am Pres./CEO of IN GEO SYSTEMS, INC., a corporation of the State of Utah and having a principal place of business at 1300 North 200 East, Suite 104, Logan, Utah 84321; I am empowered to act on behalf of IN GEO SYSTEMS, INC.,; and that IN GEO SYSTEMS, INC. qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 121.3-18 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of IN GEO SYSTEMS, INC., including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. I understand that, for purposes of this declaration, (1) the number of employees is the average over the previous fiscal year of the number of persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and that (2) two business concerns are considered to be affiliates of each other when one business concern either directly or indirectly controls or has the power to control the other, or when a third party or parties control or have the power to control both business concerns.

I further declare that all rights, title, and interest relating to the invention entitled CREATING AND VERIFYING ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS, invented by Ryan R. Berringer, Todd R. Hougaard, and Richard S. Andrus, as described in the patent application filed June 6, 2001, Serial No. 09/875,756, have been conveyed to and currently remain with IN GEO SYSTEMS, INC.

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in the above-mentioned application or any patent issued in respect thereof, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of (1) the issue fee or (2) any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

DATED this 20th day of September, 2001.

INGEO SYSTEMS, INC.

By:

Todd R. Hougaard

Todd R. Hougaard
Printed Name

Pres./CEO
Title